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ACCORDING TO MINING ASSOCIATION LEADER, INDUSTRY HERE EQUALLY MYSTIFIED AS REFTTEL SOURCES BY CONTINUED TIN PRICE RISE. AMONG FACTORS HE CITES AS POSSIBLY SUPPORTING HIGH PRICE IS FEAR THAT OIL SQUEEZE WILL GREATLY INCREASE PRODUCTION COSTS OR CURTAIL PRODUCTION. OVER 50 PERCENT MALAYSIA'S PRODUCTION COMES FROM GRAVEL PUMP MINES, MANY OF WHICH OPERATING ON LOW PROFIT MARGIN WITH FUEL MAJOR EXPENSE. FOR PAST YEAR OPERATORS THESE MINES HAVE COMPLAINED HIGH PRICE OF FUEL THREATENED PUT THEM OUT OF BUSINESS. TRANSPORT AND OTHER WORKING COSTS ALSO LIKELY TO RISE IF FUEL PRICE INCREASE OR SUPPLY CURTAILED. OUR SOURCES ALSO REFER TO BUYER SPECULATION AND FLOODING AS FACTORS, BUT NOTE THAT CURRENT FLOODING NOT GREATER THAN NORMAL. THEY ALSO SHOW MOUNTING CONCERN THAT HIGH TIN PRICES CAUSE UNSTABLE MARKET WHICH MAY EVENTUATE IN PRECIPITATE DOWNWARD MOVE.

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